High Level Posts lying Vacant in the Trade Development Authority of India

2025. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that several senior positions in the Trade Development Authority of India are lying vacant since long;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether the TDA Officers' Association have made any representation in this regard; and

(d) if, what action Government have taken thereon?

THE MINISTER of COMMERCE AND TOURISM (SHRI ARUN KUMAR NEHRU): (a) and (b) At present there are only two posts which are lying vacant. One post of Chief, Trade Information and Statistics Division fell vacant consequent on the deputation of the incumbent to take up a foreign assignment for a period of two years w.e.f. 17-5-1989. Since this is a 'lien' vacancy, arrangements for 'adhoc' promotion to this post have been made and the selected officer is expected to join the post shortly. The other post of Chief, Merchandising Division had fallen vacant on 1-8-1989 due to the foreign posting of the regular incumbent. The post for the present has been kept in abeyance and the charge of this post has been given to the Chief of Research and Analysis Division in addition to her own charge.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Question does not arise.

Execution of Subarnarekha Multipurpose Project

2026. SHRI BAIKUNTHA NATH SAHU: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have made any review of the progress made so far in the execution of Subarnarekha multiporpose project;

(b) if so, what progress has been made in completion of that project as on 31st December, 1989; and

(c) by when the project is likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI MANUBHAI KOTADIA): (a) and (b) The progress on the project is reviewed quarterly. The progress reported up to December, 1989 is 75 per cent on Chandil Dam, 26 per cent on Icha Dam and 87 per cent on Galudih Barrage. Also, progress reported on canal works is 60 per cent on Chandil Left Bank Canal, 50 per cent and 27 per cent on Icha Right and Left Bank canals respectively, 63 per cent on Galudih Right Bank Canal and 42 per cent on Right and Left Bank canals ex-Kharkai Barrage.

(c) The project is scheduled for completion in the Eighth Plan.

Promotion of Tourism in Orissa

2027. SHRI BAIKUNTHA NATH SAHU: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) the amount earmarked for the promotion of tourism during the Eighth plan period;

(b) the State-wise allocation made therefore;

(c) whether there is a great scope for the promotion of tourism in Orissa; and

(d) if so, the details of the schemes drawn up for promotion of tourism in Orissa during the Eighth plan period?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND TOURISM (SHRI ARUN KUMAR NEHRU): (a) and (b) Eighth plan production of tourism has not yet been formulated and as such, it is not possible to give State-wise allocation.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) Ministry of Tourism extend financial assistance to States/Union Territories for creation of tourism infrastructure on the basis of specific proposals received from them and based on merit, availability of funds and *inter-se priorities*.